

Government not to bombard Gonaives because of its not being fortified. Mr. Furness is expected to direct the Petrel to stand by in the harbor there awaiting the arrival of the Haitian gunboat.

Minister Furness reported that the entire diplomatic corps joined with him in making the protest to President Simon against the threatened bombardment. President Simon's answer, if given, is not known here, but it is believed he will not carry out his intentions in the face of the concerted protest and the guns of the Petrel.

Telegraphic communication is already interfered with. Neither the Petrel nor the Peoria is equipped with wireless, but wireless instruments are on both the Chester and Des Moines and will be brought into play as soon as those ships arrive. They will be stationed in different ports. If cable communication is interfered with it is expected that the Chester with her powerful instruments will be able to give dispatches to Washington through the San Juan or Guanatanamo wireless station.

DE LA BARRA MURDER PLOT.

New Conspiracy Revealed in Mexico - Foreigners Leaving the Republic.

MEXICO CITY, July 20. The city was startled to-day by the announcement that the police had discovered a plot to assassinate Provisional President de la Barra and had arrested six men suspected of being mixed up in the conspiracy. The arrested men are being maintained in the police station, and the police will only say that the attempt on the President's life was to have been made on Tuesday of this week, when Señor de la Barra was attending the festivities at Juarez.

The President declares that he refuses to believe that anything was planned against him.

It is insistently rumored that the portfolio of Minister of War in de la Barra's Cabinet, vacated yesterday by the resignation of Señor Razon, has been offered to Gen. Bernardo Reyes. This change is the first of a considerable number expected to be made in the Cabinet in the next few days.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., July 20. - Travelers coming up from Mexico bring disquieting stories about conditions there. A man of large property in Torreon, Coahuila, who arrived here to-day says anarchy prevails in Torreon and in the State generally on account of the removal of the troops from the Texas border.

"The Spanish and German Governments have ordered their subjects to leave Coahuila," he said. "Several hundred members of the German colony will arrive in San Antonio Friday night and remain here until the trouble in Mexico is over. The conditions in Coahuila are the same as existed when the troops were ordered to San Antonio last March."

"With the coming of the troops, both sides were willing to make concessions for the sake of peace, and there was a semblance of peace as long as American soldiers were within striking distance. Mexicans are now under the impression that these troops have been ordered to leave for the sake of peace, and they give the lawless elements license to insult foreigners. Looting and stealing are general. Strikes in all the factories of Coahuila are threatened."

"As a result of the anarchy that prevails the foreign element in Torreon is excited and is ready to quit the town and State at a moment's notice. To-day I received a telegram saying that fifty Spanish subjects left Torreon to-day and will go direct to the city of Mexico. If they fail to get protection in the capital they will go on board a steamer at Vera Cruz and return to Europe."

"The German colony has also been notified by the German Consul in Mexico to leave Torreon in the next twenty-four hours and to make San Antonio their headquarters until the trouble is over in Mexico."

"General conditions in Mexico at the present time are for all. With the exit of the Germans and Spaniards others will follow and within one week there will not be a foreigner in Torreon or the State of Coahuila. The better element of the population, however, with the men appointed to govern the cities and towns and for that reason there has been a great deal of unrest."

SWIFT CELLULOID FIRE.

Four Alarms for Blaze in Williamsburg Factory Building.

Four alarms were sent in for a fire which started at 9 o'clock last night on the first floor of a four-story factory building at 639-641 Kent avenue, Williamsburg. The floor was occupied by the Atlantic Chair Company. The flames spread to the second, where Werburg & Schwartz made celluloid articles.

Following the third and fourth alarm Deputy Fire Chief Lally, Deputy Fire Commissioner Farley from Brooklyn and Acting Chief Kenyon from Manhattan arrived at the fire. Separated by a ten foot alleyway from the factory building was a loft structure, and the flames spread to it. The firemen were able to control the fire there and it did not get very far. The building where the blaze started was gutted.

Thousands of pieces of blazing celluloid were caught by the wind and spread like feathers over the heads of the spectators. Some of them drifted as far as Bedford avenue and burned themselves out on the roofs of the houses there. From the first the firemen were handicapped by the intense heat caused by the burning celluloid.

The damage to the building at 639-641 Kent avenue is put at about \$50,000 and that to the adjoining place at \$5,000.

SCHMITTBERGER SAYS O. K.

Inspector on Two Night Tour Finds Everything Cop on Post.

Chief Inspector Schmitzberger spent two nights this week in going over the fixed posts in Manhattan and reported that every policeman was on post. The result was far different from the last inspection trip made by Schmitzberger not long ago, when about forty-eight policemen were brought up on charges as the result of his trip and many of them fined.

He covered about seventy miles in his automobile with the last trip. He came, who was with him on the last trip, and went over most of the posts from the Battery to Harlem.

It was announced at Police Headquarters yesterday that the fixed posts, or the "peg" posts, as they are getting to be known, will be extended to Brooklyn in a short time. This action is partly due to the fact that the Commissioner Waldo has received many letters from persons in all boroughs commending the plan and the Brooklyn residents have made no plea for the posts in their borough.

NO LIQUOR IN THEATRES.

Gov. Dix Vetoes Senator Bill Permitting It.

ALBANY, July 20. Gov. Dix to-day sent to the Senate his veto message of Big Tim Sullivan's bill which proposed to give a theatre in New York the right to sell liquor. Gov. Dix says:

"This bill allows the Police Department of the city of New York in its discretion to permit the sale of wine, beer, strong or aromatic liquors during the performance of any entertainment of the stage in licensed places."

The present law permits, such a sale while the concert, consisting of vocal or instrumental music only, is being given, and thus gives ample room for the enjoyment of music in places of public entertainment. The amendment proposed opens the way to the licensing of places of the most objectionable character, and is a highly undesirable extension of the privilege already allowed by law."

THE MILL.

"The mill cannot grind with the waters that are passed."

We have incorporated that into our time schedules and into our daily lives. We are interested only in the vital, palpitating NOW. But the waters that are passed made the mill what it is, just the same.

THOMPSON-STARRETT COMPANY.

Building Construction Fifty-One Wall Street

ARREST BANKER MILLS IN BED.

HE GIVES \$25,000 CASH BAIL ON CRIMINAL CHARGE.

Proposed Purchase of the Audubon Bank's Stock by David Netto, a South American Fruit Company Promoter, First Directed Suspicion to the President.

David S. Mills, who until recently was president of the Audubon National Bank, was arrested yesterday afternoon by Deputy United States Marshal Hecht. A complaint was sworn to yesterday charging him with misapplying the funds of the Audubon bank, and a Federal warrant for his arrest was issued by Commissioner Shields. The warrant was served by the deputy marshal on Mills in his home, at 308 West 102d street, where the banker is confined to his bed from a recent operation. Bail was fixed at \$25,000 and Commissioner Shields went to Mills's house for the arraignment. Mills gave the bail in cash.

The complaint charges him specifically with misapplying between \$40,000 and \$50,000 of the bank's funds, paid out in the form of discounts on notes aggregating \$50,000 face value. The money thus derived, it is alleged, was applied to the purchase of stock of the bank which was held by some of the directors.

When the directors of the bank were called together in a hurry on June 19 last Mr. Mills told them that he had a purchaser for the bank. This purchaser presented himself and Mr. Mills told the directors that his name was David Netto of 42 New Street. Mr. Netto's business is fruits.

At his address, at 42 New Street, he appears as part of the Magdalena Fruit and Plantation Company and the Anglo-Colombian Fruit Company. He also appears as interested in the Washerman Realty Company.

A Government officer said yesterday that Mr. Netto is a South American and that he has never become a citizen of the United States. The Government officers have been looking into his record since he showed himself as a possible purchaser of the Audubon National Bank, but so they reported yesterday, that he has still pending against him a number of unsatisfied judgments several years old.

Mr. Mills on the day of the meeting told the directors that Mr. Netto had already acquired a number of shares of stock in the bank and that he was ready to take more. The directors were ready to sell their shares, but they were not to be cash. Mr. Mills said that Mr. Netto's notes were good enough for him and that in fact he had accepted the fruit land promoter's notes for most of his stock. But the directors stood by their resolve, and Mr. Netto paid cash.

Later, when it was conjectured that Netto was a dummy for Mills himself, the directors took their stock and found it still in the bank's vaults. They paid back the money to Netto which he had received for it and demanded that he leave the state. The bank since that time William Reimers, then cashier, and Charles A. Hanna, national bank examiner, had deduced that Mills had bought the stock through Netto with the bank's own money.

SUICIDE OF JAMES T. DUNN.

Former Hotel Man Shoots Himself in Atlantic City Hotel.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., July 20. James T. Dunn of Philadelphia was found dead at 8 o'clock to-night in his room in a hotel on Pacific avenue with a bullet wound in his head. A revolver lay near him. He came to the hotel yesterday without baggage.

A despatch from Philadelphia says that Dunn lived in New York city twelve years ago. Later he was the proprietor of hotels in New Haven and San Francisco. Of late he had been the head of a novelty concern in Philadelphia. He was about 55 years old.

A suit against Mrs. Lizzie H. Holmes for the alienation of his affection was brought by Dunn's wife and is pending in New York.

DIRECT TAX BILL INTRODUCED.

Frawley's Measure Providing for Six-Tenths of a Mill Is Presented.

ALBANY, July 20. Senator James J. Frawley, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, to-day introduced a bill providing for a direct tax of six-tenths of a mill for the expenses of the State Government for the fiscal year beginning on October 1 next, which would raise a trifle less than \$6,000,000. The indirect revenues for the next fiscal year, including the same as mortgages, are estimated at \$39,000,000, making the next year's revenues from direct and indirect sources \$45,000,000.

The total appropriations for the next fiscal year are a trifle less than \$41,000,000, but in addition there must be provided for a deficit of \$2,000,000 caused by the excess of appropriations made by the last Legislature. Legislation over the revenues received. This is due to a decrease of \$2,000,000 in the inheritance tax receipts for the present fiscal year.

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DIX PRIMARY VIEWS FLOATED.

THINGS HE FAVORED VOTED DOWN IN THE SENATE.

Reconsidered Blauvelt Bill Passed by the Assembly Rejected in the Senate. All Votes But He Taken Today. All of the Governor's Amendments Lost.

ALBANY, July 20. - Until nearly 3 A. M. to-day the State Assembly was in continuous session from last night before it passed Assemblyman Blauvelt's direct primary bill. To-day the State Senate considered this bill and shortly before 9 o'clock to-night had completed the debate of the bill and voted down all amendments, including those desired by Gov. Dix.

Because of the absence of two Democratic Senators and the independence of several other Democratic Senators from up-State Majority Leader Wagner then caused the vote to be postponed until the first thing when the Senate opens to-morrow. Senator Wagner was not fully satisfied to-night that he would be able to get 26 votes for the bill to-morrow.

The Blauvelt bill, which provides for the direct nomination of members of the Legislature, Aldermen and Councilmen only, came up in the Assembly early in the session last night. Mr. Blauvelt offered amendments proposing to embody in his bill practically all of the recommendations of Gov. Dix, including the direct nomination of all officers except those named by the State conventions, and providing for an official primary ballot. After a session which continued until 2:30 this morning the Assembly defeated the Blauvelt amendments, adopted an amendment to substitute the Warren statewide direct primary bill, which would abolish all conventions, and then turned around and rejected this amendment and finally passed the Blauvelt bill just as it came from the Assembly Judiciary Committee by a vote of 78 yeas to 51 nays. It requires 76 yeas to pass a bill in the Assembly.

During the debate on the direct primary question in the Senate to-day eight votes were taken upon as many different phases of the primary question, and every direct primary bill that has made its appearance in the Legislature during the last few years was offered as a substitute for the Blauvelt bill and voted down. In the first place Senator Roosevelt, Democrat, wanted the Blauvelt bill changed so that the party State committee would be elected directly at the primaries. This was defeated by a vote of yeas, 21; nays, 24.

Senator J. D. Denham, followed with his amendment to change the Blauvelt bill to meet the views of Gov. Dix. Senator Ferris's amendment for an official ballot was defeated by a vote of yeas, 18; nays, 28.

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The next important amendment offered by Senator Ferris was aimed to prevent the use of delegates by State conventions and that was defeated by a vote of yeas, 20; nays, 25.

Senator Burd (Democrat) then offered as a substitute for the Blauvelt bill the Birden law, which was adopted. He afterward defeated in the Assembly last night and which provides for Statewide primaries for all offices and provides that all nominations shall be by petition, including party nominations. This was defeated, yeas, 22; nays, 24.

Then came Senator Hinman's motion to substitute the Hinman-Green bill for the Blauvelt bill. This was defeated by a vote of yeas, 22; nays, 24. Gov. Dix's applying direct nominations to all offices, and it came near being adopted despite the fact that Senator Ferris brought out that even if it became a law it was too late for the Hinman-Green bill to be put in operation for next fall's election. Senator Hinman's motion substituting his bill was lost, yeas, 22; nays, 23. But Mr. Hinman's bill had been voted as he had been voting it would have tied the vote, 23 to 23, and Lieut. Gov. Conway would have cast the deciding vote undoubtedly in favor of adopting the Hinman bill.

Senator Walters was not recorded upon this roll call, although he did not know that the vote was so close. For a few moments he was in the room, but the Republicans had outgeneraled those who were in charge of the direct primary legislation this year and the Senators on both sides of the chamber breathed easier when the clerk of the Senate announced that the Hinman-Green bill had been defeated by one vote.

Senator Cobb's motion that his compromise bill be substituted for the Blauvelt bill was defeated by a vote of yeas, 22; nays, 24. Then Senator Walters moved that an amended Cobb compromise bill be substituted. This was defeated by a vote of yeas, 22; nays, 24, and a smile went around the circle when the two Sullivan's voted for it.

Then the vote on the final passage of the bill was postponed until to-morrow. Gov. Dix pressed indignation to-day over the failure of the Assembly to embody amendments to the Blauvelt direct primary bill which would have carried out the Governor's ideas as embodied in his recent special message to the Legislature.

The Governor sent for some of the legislative leaders and insisted that the Blauvelt bill as it passed was distasteful to him.

"I am disappointed over the action of the Assembly," said the Governor. "The amendments to the Blauvelt bill were designed to carry out my recommendations so as to provide for Statewide direct nominations for all candidates below the executive state officers."

Gov. Dix would not say outright if he intended to veto the bill, but those who have maintained from the outset that there would be no direct primary legislation this year are predicting that the Governor will veto the bill and that possibly he will have another special message to send to the Legislature after the recess.

DROWNED IN ROCKAWAY SURF.

Went to Rescue of Wife and Daughter. Who Had Drifted Out on Water Wings.

In an effort to save his wife and daughter, whom he believed to be drowning, Frank Plimridge, an agent, 48 years old, who lived at 100 Nineteenth street, Brooklyn, lost his life in the surf at Rockaway Beach yesterday morning.

The party was staying at McIntosh's Hotel. Shortly after 10 o'clock they went to the beach for a swim. Mrs. Plimridge, who was Plimridge's second wife, and her stepdaughter, Catharine, 16 years of age, were both able to swim a little, but they used water wings. The tide carried them out about 300 feet before they realized what was happening. Neither lost her head, but both shouted for help.

The life guards were 400 yards away, but two of them—Thomas Burns and John Purtell—heard the cries and started for the women. Plimridge jumped into the surf and swam toward his wife and daughter. His strength was spent before he reached them and he made matters worse by frightening the women. In their struggle they lost the water wings and were floating unconscious when the life savers reached them.

John Christie, a waiter at the Park Inn, who was in bathing, turned his attention to Plimridge, who was floating face downward and unconscious. Christie towed him to the beach and bystanders did what they could for him until the arrival of Dr. Weinstein from the Rockaway Beach Hospital. Plimridge showed signs of life, but he died after an hour.

Mrs. Plimridge and the daughter were taken to St. Malachi's Home. Both are in a serious condition but will recover.

THREE BANDITS CAPTURED.

One of Four Who Robbed Passengers on North Coast Limited Escapes.

ST. PAUL, Minn., July 20. - Great Northern train No. 7, J. Davis had captured three men suspected of the train robbery near Buffalo, N. Dak. last night. The capture was made at Melrose, Minn. The men are said to have had part of the \$1,000 booty in their possession. A fourth man escaped and posses have been organized to search for him.

Passengers on the North Coast Limited were the victims of a holdup by masked men, who went through the train while it was making fifty miles an hour between Valley City and Buffalo, N. Dak. shortly after 11 o'clock Wednesday night.

The bandits fired shots up and down the aisles of the sleepers, dragged passengers from their berths and handled them roughly, were shot at by the Pullman car conductor, and one of them perhaps hit, and retailed by shooting the engineer, but not seriously.

The engineer stopped the train about half a mile from Buffalo and the robbers escaped.

The engineer, Olson, was shot from the train and from the engine before he reached him when he refused to shut off the steam.

The four bandits apparently boarded the train when it stopped for water at the station near Buffalo, N. Dak. Beyond that the country is bleak and a clear stretch of track runs over desolate prairies to Buffalo, the next stop. The robbers had twenty-two miles in which to operate.

YOUNG WOMAN'S SUICIDE NOTE.

Asks That Her Father, a Physician, Be Not Permitted to See Her.

Mrs. Blanche Jennings, 30 years old, widow of George W. Jennings, a business college teacher who died of consumption last November, committed suicide last night by inhaling gas at her home, 439 Fifty-sixth street, South Brooklyn. Her body was found in her bedroom by Julius Siebert, 565 Seventy-fifth street, guardian of Mrs. Jennings's nine-year-old daughter, Beatrice, who had gone to the house to see the daughter, Siebert found two notes on the dresser, one of which was addressed to him. It said:

"Promise me to look after Beatrice. Help her the best you can. I have left her three bank books on the dresser. See that Beatrice gets everything. Don't let my father see me under any circumstances. He is not to touch one penny. He is not to see me or have anything to do with me. Be sure that I am dead and then bury me next to George."

The other letter said that she was leaving about \$3.50 for the child and that the writer had lost her hearing and could not keep her position.

The police sent Dr. W. B. Jennings's father, Dr. W. B. Jennings, to the house in his automobile. He wouldn't be seen last night, but it was said at his home that his family couldn't get the note left by his daughter. He had been on good terms with her and had seen her last week, it was said.

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PRINCETONIAN BOOMS WILSON.

W. F. McCOMBS, JR., PAYING THE BILLS AT 42 BROADWAY.

It's a W. W. Publicity Bureau With Nobody Else Behind It, He Says, and There's Wilson Literature Ready for All Who Are Goaded by Long Felt Want.

William F. McCombs Jr., formerly secretary of the Princeton Club of New York and a lawyer with offices at 90 Broadway, says that he has no backing in the Woodrow Wilson publicity bureau that he has opened at 42 Broadway. He is undertaking the work of making the Governor of New Jersey better known throughout the country entirely at his own expense.

Mr. McCombs also says that if anybody wishes to amuse himself by noting the circumstance that the first effort in New York to smooth the way for Mr. Wilson's candidacy for the Presidency has its wellspring in the heart of the financial district that is no concern of his. It happened that an office at 42 Broadway was convenient.

The office contains besides necessary furniture a filing clerk, a stenographer and a head who is experienced in the publicity business. The work of the office is to answer questions concerning the public life of New Jersey's Executive when such questions come and to forward literature exemplifying Mr. Wilson's fitness to hold high office where such literature will do the most good.

"We are not seeking to form an organization," said Mr. McCombs yesterday, "using the editorial form of the pronoun. We are merely endeavoring to bring about in some intelligent way a proper dissemination of facts about Mr. Woodrow Wilson, his accomplishments in the past and just what he has done and is doing since his incumbency of the Governorship of New Jersey. We are acting in the same capacity as other intimate friends of the Governor's, simply answering the many questions that are being put from all sections of the country as to the politics and achievements of Gov. Wilson."

"It is not our province to attempt to form a Wilson organization in New York. That is in the hands of the national Democratic organization or whatever branch of that body that may elect to take this step. This office does not represent any organization; it represents nobody but myself. It is not within our intention now to undertake any work except that of disseminating information about Woodrow Wilson."

Mr. McCombs was asked if he had the sanction of Gov. Wilson in his efforts and if the Governor was directly interested in the publicity work which he had undertaken.

"I can answer that best in a negative way," he replied. "Gov. Wilson knows of the efforts that we are making here, knows that we are endeavoring to do it that correct facts concerning his work and his policies are sent wherever there is a demand for them. I assume that he approves, because if he did not I would not have been here before this. I have received no expressed approval or any impetus from him."

Another question was whether any publication in New York, or the editorial office, was behind the publicity bureau. Mr. McCombs answered that he was glad this question had been put, for he wanted the opportunity to state that there was no publication nor any editor of a publication that was taking even a passive interest in the work of the publicity bureau. He added that interest in the personality and achievements of Gov. Wilson was spreading rapidly. There was a Wilson boom in Los Angeles, he said, another in New York, and there were prospects of the birth of Wilson clubs in Philadelphia, Ky.; Birmingham, Ala. and Norfolk, Va.

THEODORE DON GLAS ROBINSON.

Ex-President Roosevelt's Nephew. Not Foot After Another Nomination.

UTICA, July 20. - With or without the approval of Theodore Roosevelt, the recognized Republican boss of Herkimer county, was asserted to-day that Theodore Douglas Robinson, nephew of Ex-President Roosevelt, intends to have the Republican nomination for member of Assembly from Herkimer county this year. No effort is being spared by young Robinson to awaken interest in his candidacy and each day finds him racing about the county in his automobile gaining the acquaintance of voters.

It is reported that Ross Strobel has told another candidate that he is in favor of Mr. Robinson's candidacy. But it is hard to place credence in such a report in view of the conference held some time ago, at which Strobel inquired of Robinson why he hadn't tried for the Assembly seat free of duty, but has no criticism for the present Congress for placing a dry on wool under the circumstances; he believes that in the revision of the tariff the object of the publicity for campaign receive any consideration; he believes the three coordinate branches of government should be kept within their respective constitutional spheres; he does not approve the recent decision of the Supreme Court in the Standard Oil case, in which the word "unreasonable" was in effect read into the law, he opposes the repeal of the criminal clause in the Sherman anti-trust law; he favors proper action by Congress to make all restraint of trade "unreasonable"; he favors the direct election of Senators, the income tax and the plan of publicity for campaign contributions and he advocates States rights.

INSURGENTS OPEN FIGHT.

Illinois Progressives Will Seek to Control Republican Organization.

CHICAGO, July 20. The insurgents of Illinois will wage a statewide fight for control of the Republican organization and will conduct their battle independent of Gov. Deneen. State Senator Walter Clyde Jones of the Hyde Park district, Chicago, will be their candidate for Governor.

The campaign will be opened at East St. Louis on July 23. Prof. Charles E. Merriam, recently defeated candidate for Mayor of Chicago, and Senator Jones will be the chief speakers. Both efforts will be of the "keynote" variety and will be prepared with the idea that they shall serve as an introduction for the hot stuff that is to follow.

One of the immediate developments in the plan to oppose all present day factions and make an independent fight is expected to be the training of the heavy artillery on the Governor himself as well as Senator Loomer.

The admission on the witness stand by Gov. Deneen that he personally urged Loomer to become a candidate for the United States Senate will be expected for all it is worth, according to one of the Merriam leaders.

The decision of the Merriamites to go it alone was reached this afternoon at the close of a three days conference at the Grand Pacific Hotel.

CITY OFFICIALS SUE FOR LABEL.

James Creelman, president of the Municipal Civil Service Commission, filed suit yesterday against the Star Company, publishers of the New York American, for \$100,000 label because of an article relating to the retirement of Deputy Fire Chief Ahern on full pay and his subsequent appointment by Gov. Dix as State Fire Marshal. Mr. Creelman said that the article accused him of entering into a conspiracy with Mayor Gaynor, Charles F. Murphy and Gov. Dix for an improper purpose.

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